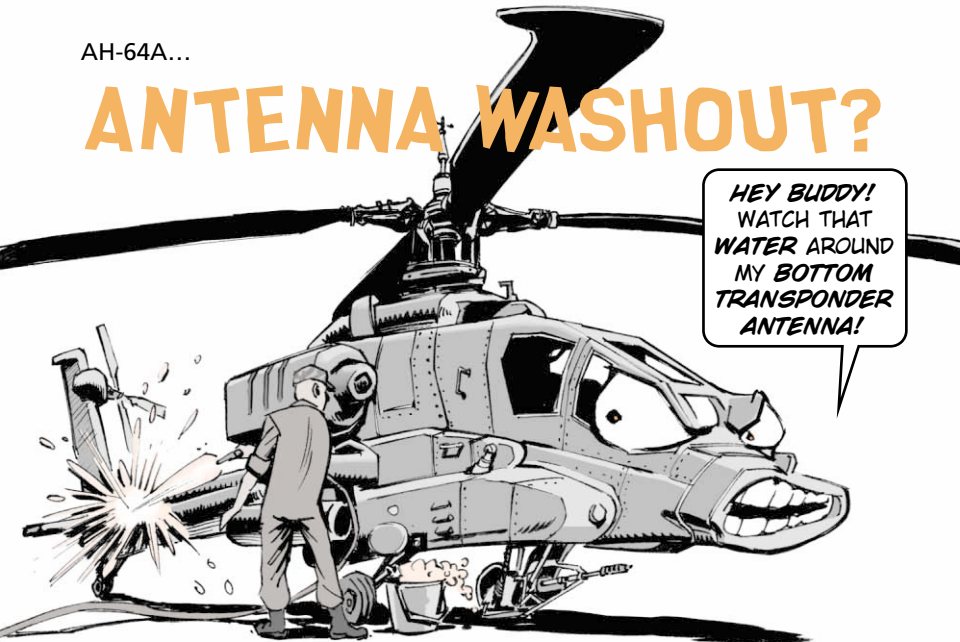
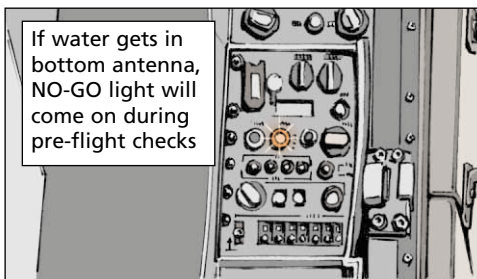


ANTENNA WASHOUT?



Good preventive maintenance includes giving your Apache a bath once in a while. But be careful. Too much of a good thing can short out the bottom transponder antenna.

When water gets into the antenna, it shorts out internal electrical components and you'll get a NO-GO light on the transponder control panel during pre-flight checks. A NO-GO light could mean your aircraft isn't ready to identify itself to challenging aircraft and ground facilities.



If water gets into the antenna, your repairman will have to remove the antenna per Para 4-7-7 of TM 11-1520-238-23-1 and empty out the water.

Then you should do another maintenance operation check on the bottom antenna like it says in Para 14-13 of TM 11-1520-238-23-2.

